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Please add claims 45-58 as follows:

- 45. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the capsid protein is WNV capsid protein or a fragment thereof.
- 46. (New) The method of claim 29, wherein said antibodies are monoclonal.
- 47. (New) The method of claim 29, further comprises quantifying the amount of said capsid protein in said sample.
- 48. (New) The kit of claim 35, wherein the capsid protein is WNV capsid protein or a fragment thereof.
 - 49. (New) The kit of claim 31, wherein said anyibodies are monoclonal antibodies.
- New) The kit of claim 31, wherein said capsid protein is made in human cells, CHO cells, insect cells, or yeast cells.
- 51. (New) The kit of claim 31, wherein said kit is used to quantify the amount of said capsid protein present in a sample of an individual.
- 52. (New) The method of claim 33/wherein said capsid protein is WNV capsid protein.
- 53. (New) The method of claim/33, wherein said capsid protein is WNV capsid protein or a fragment thereof.
- 54. (New) The method of claim 33, wherein said capsid protein is made in human cells, CHO cells, insect cells, or yeast cells.
- 55. (New) The method of claim 33, further comprises quantifying the amount of said antibodies in said sample.
- 56. (New) The kit of claim 35, wherein said antibodies are monoclonal antibodies.
- 57. (New) The kit of claim 35, wherein said capsid protein is made in human cells, CHO cells, insect cells, or yeast cells.
- 58. (New) The kit of claim 35, wherein said kit is used to quantify the amount of anti-capsid protein antibodies present in a sample of said individual.

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